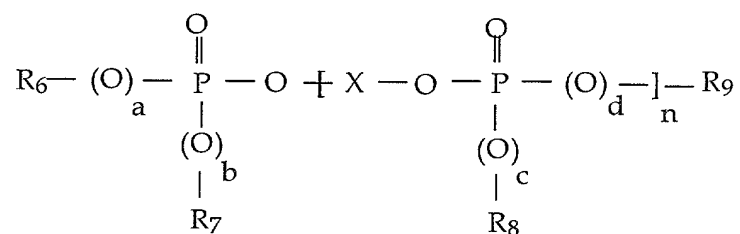


## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

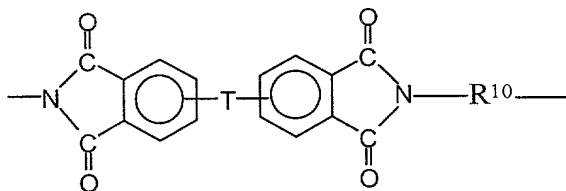
1. A thermoplastic resin composition, comprising:
  - (a) a thermoplastic resin, and
  - (b) a flame-retarding amount of a polyimide compound.
2. The composition of claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic resin comprises a polycarbonate.
3. The composition of claim 2 wherein the thermoplastic resin further comprises a graft copolymer.
4. The composition of claim 1 wherein the composition additionally comprises a flame retardant compound having the formula:



wherein  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are each independently aryl, halo aryl or  $(C_1-C_6)$ alkyl substituted aryl, X is arylene, halo arylene or  $(C_1-C_6)$ alkyl substituted arylene, a, b, c and d are each independently 0 or 1, and n is an integer from 0 to 5, more preferably from 1 to 5.

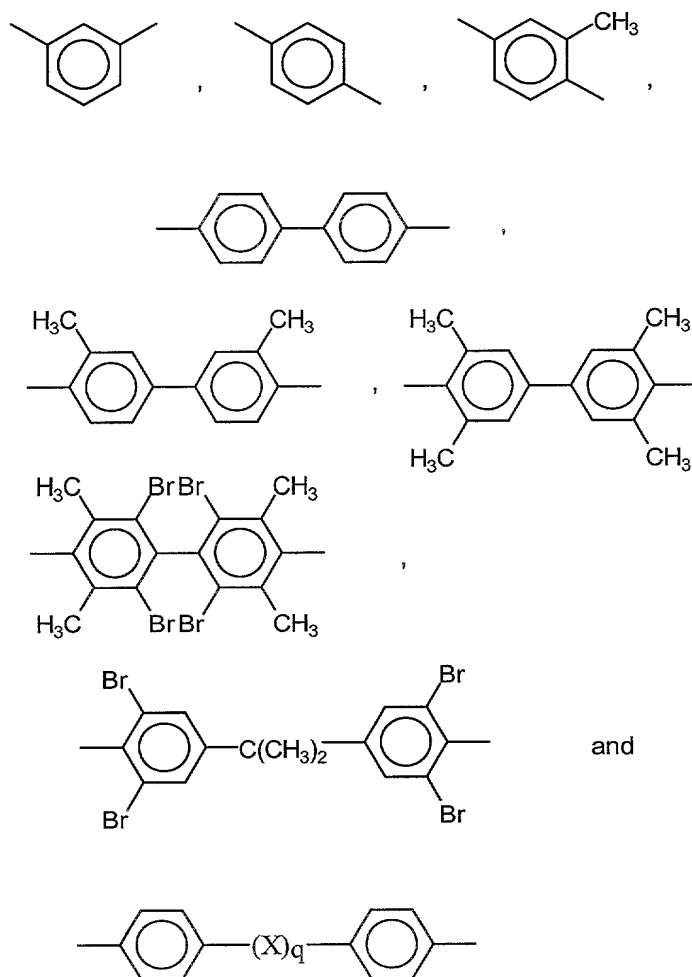
5. The composition of claim 4 wherein the thermoplastic resin comprises a polycarbonate.
6. The composition of claim 5 wherein the thermoplastic resin further comprises a graft copolymer.

7. The composition of claim 6 wherein the polyimide has the formula:  
structural units of the formula :

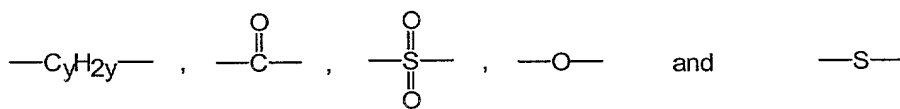


wherein the divalent T moiety bridges the 3,3', 3,4', 4,3', or 4,4' positions of the aryl rings of the respective aryl imide moieties; T is -O- or a group of the formula -O-Z-O- ; Z is a divalent radical selected from the group consisting of formulae:

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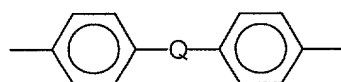


wherein X is a member selected from the group consisting of divalent radicals of the formulae:



wherein y is an integer from 1 to about 5, and q is 0 or 1;  $R^{10}$  is a divalent organic radical selected from the group consisting of:

- divalent radicals of the general formula:


$$-C_{Y'}H_{2Y'}-, \quad -C(=O)-, \quad -S(=O)_2-, \quad -O-, \quad \text{and} \quad -S-$$

8. The composition of claim 7 wherein the polycarbonate is a polycarbonate comprising bisphenol-A.

10. The composition of claim 9 wherein R<sup>10</sup> is

